

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 5, 6, 8, and 10 as indicated below:

1. (Currently Amended) An improved nonwoven resistant to slippage comprising:
a nonwoven substrate having top and bottom surfaces, at least one surface of said nonwoven substrate being coated with microcapsules containing an adhesive,

said microcapsule coated nonwoven having an average drag force of at least 250 grams [as per the method described in Example 1] and an adhesion value of 5 to 50 grams per centimeter width.
2. (Original) The nonwoven resistant to slippage according to claim 1 where said nonwoven substrate is a table covering.
3. (Original) The nonwoven resistant to slippage according to claim 1 wherein said nonwoven is formed into disposable footwear.
4. (Original) The nonwoven resistant to slippage according to claim 1 wherein the nonwoven substrate has a second material laminated to a surface of the nonwoven.
5. (Currently Amended) [The nonwoven resistant to slippage according to claim 4 wherein the second material is a breathable synthetic material.] An improved nonwoven resistant to slippage comprising: a nonwoven substrate having top and bottom surfaces, at least one surface of said nonwoven being coated with microcapsules containing an adhesive, the nonwoven substrate having a second material of a breathable synthetic material laminated to the opposite surface of the nonwoven.
6. (Currently Amended) An improved laminate for forming disposable footwear for health care or clean room environments comprising:

a first covering layer of a fractured plastic film

- at least one layer of a nonwoven web material,
- said first covering layer of fractured plastic film being coated with microcapsules containing an adhesive, said microcapsule coated plastic film having a drag force of at least 250 grams [as per the method described in Example 1].
7. (Original) The improved laminate according to claim 6 wherein the fractured plastic film has a vapor transmission rate of at least 100 grams per square meter per ASTM Method ES 22-1992.
8. (Currently Amended) An improved substrate for forming disposable footwear for health care or clean room environments comprising:
- a substrate having at least one layer of nonwoven material,
- at least one surface of said substrate being coated with microcapsules containing an adhesive, said microcapsule coated substrate having a drag force of at least 250 grams [as per the method described in Example 1],
- said laminate being folded along a longitudinal axis to form two mirror image panels, the surface [covering layer] coated with microcapsules containing an adhesive selected as the exterior,
- said mirror image panels being joined together at outer edges by a continuous seam to form a shoe covering except for an opening being provided for the wearer's foot, [said edges forming the opening being provided with] a resilient material being provided at the opening to snugly close the opening around the wearer's foot.
9. (Original) The improved laminate according to claim 8 wherein the resilient material is provided along the edge forming the opening and along the length of the continuous seam.
10. (Currently Amended) An improved laminate for forming disposable footwear for health care or clean room environments comprising:
- a substrate having at least one covering layer of a nonwoven material,

said [covering layer of] nonwoven material being coated with microcapsules containing an adhesive, said microcapsule coated nonwoven [web] material having a drag force of at least 250 grams [as per the method described in Example 1],

said laminate being folded along a longitudinal axis to form two mirror image panels, the [first covering layer of] nonwoven [web] material is selected as the exterior,

said mirror image panels being joined together at outer edges by a continuous seam to form a shoe covering except for an opening being provided for the wearer's foot, [said edges forming the opening being provided with] a resilient material being provided surrounding the opening to snugly close the opening around the wearer's foot.

11. (Original) The improved laminate according to claim 10 wherein the laminate includes a second layer of a batting material attached to the covering layer.
12. (Currently Amended) The improved laminate according to claim [10] 11 where the batting material includes a hydrogel absorbent dispersed in said batting material.
13. (Currently Amended) The improved laminate according to claim 12 wherein the batting material is sandwiched between the covering layer [and] of nonwoven material and a second layer of nonwoven material.
14. (Original) The improved laminate according to claim 10 wherein the laminate includes in addition a layer of a fractured plastic film.